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 The period under 37 CFR 1.304 for seeking court review of the decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences rendered January 13, 2010 has expired and no further action has been taken by appellant. The proceedings as to the rejected claims are considered terminated; see 37 CFR 1.197(b). The application will be passed

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to issue on claim 54. Claims 1-5, 29-31 and 52-53 have been cancelled.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Boyer D. Ashley can be reached on 571-272-4502. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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